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This digest of the plant-quarantine import restrictions of the Colony of Bermuda has been prepared for the information of nurserymen, plant-quarantine officials, and others interested in the exportation of plants and plant products to that Colony.

It was prepared by Harry B. Shaw, Plant Quarantine Inspector in Charge, Foreign Information Service, Division of Foreign Plant Quarantines, from the Bermuda By-laws of April 28, 1936, for the control of plant diseases and pests, and reviewed by the Director of Agriculture for Bermuda.

The information contained in this circular is believed to be correct and complete up to the time of preparation, but it is not intended to be used independently of, nor as a substitute for, the original texts, and it is not to be interpreted as legally authoritative.

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BASIC LEGISLATION

The Boards Act, 1929.

GENERAL REGULATIONS

(By-laws of Apr. 28, 1936)

Definition

"Plant Importation" means any plant or part of a plant brought into the Colony by any means whatsoever, but does not include cut flowers or true seed, except where this is expressly stated.

Notice of Arrival

Article 6 prescribes that owners or consignees of plant importations or their agents shall notify the Director of Agriculture or the Plant Pathologist of the landing of such consignment.

Article 7 prescribes that plant importations arriving by mail shall not be delivered without the permission of a plant inspection officer.

Article 8 prescribes that no plant material, including cut flowers, shall be imported by air service unless accompained by a special permit previously obtained from the Director or Plant Pathologist.

Article 9 provides for the destruction, fumigation, or other treatment for the control of disease or pests if deemed necessary.

Importation Prohibited

The importation of the following is prohibited:

BANANAS, PLANTAINS, etc. (*Musa* spp.): All parts except the fruit

CITRUS spp.: All parts except the fruit from the West Indies and Bahamas.

SWEETPOTATO (Ipomoea spp.), including morning-glory: Plants and tubers from all countries.

POTATO (Solanum tuberosum L.): From Great Britain and Ireland, Europe, Newfoundland, St. Pierre, and Miquelon.

CARROT (Daucus carota L.): In the raw or untreated state.

CORN (Zea mays L.), BROOMCORN, AND OTHER SORGHUMS: All parts except the loose grain.

LILIUM spp. (true lilies): All parts except the flower and seed.

RAW VEGETABLES (except onions) AND FRESH FRUITS from areas where the melon fly (Bactrocera cucurbitae Coq.) is known to occur (including Australia, China, Hawaii, India, and Japan).

Importation Restricted

The importation of the following is conditionally prohibited:

BANANA FRUITS, unless imported without wrapping, cover, or packing of any kind.

NARCISSUS spp. (daffodils, jonquils, etc.): All parts except the flower, unless accompanied by special permit previously obtained from the Director or Plant Pathologist. A recent notification prescribes, in addition, that narcissus bulbs are admitted into Bermuda only when accompained by a shipper's declaration, as below, to the effect that the bulbs have been adequately treated against bulb flies and nematodes. Adequate treatment is to be taken as 3 hours' soaking in water at a temperature of 110° F. (43.5° C.).

Shipper's Declaration

It is hereby certified that the narcissus bulbs included in this consignment, consisting of (description of shipment) ,
exported by ,
have been treated prior to shipment as follows:
(description of treatment)

Signature of exporter
or his agent _____

EARTH OR SOIL, AND PLANTS GROWING IN SOIL, unless accompanied by a special permit previously obtained from the Director or Plant Pathologist, and this shall be granted only with respect to certain types of plants that cannot be imported free from soil and which cannot be obtained in the desired quantity in the Islands.

SEED POTATOES: Import permit must be obtained in advance, must be signed by the exporter and attached to bill of lading. Potatoes must be inspected in the field and after harvesting by a duly recognized authority, and are subject to inspection on arrival in Bermuda. (By-laws of the Board of Agriculture, Oct. 9, 1936, p. 4.)

Art. 13. Any plant importation landed in violation of these by-laws shall normally be destroyed without compensation, but it may be reexported.

Art. 14. The foregoing provisions shall not prevent the importation of any plant material obtained from the Plant Quarantine Stations at Trinidad or at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, if the material is accompanied by an official certificate to the effect that it has undergone the necessary period of quarantine and is guaranteed to be free from disease and pests.

Art. 16. The foregoing prohibitions shall not prevent the Board from importing plants for experimental purposes, the importation of which would otherwise be contrary to the provisions of these by-laws.

RESTRICTIONS ON THE IMPORTATION OF SEED POTATOES

(By-laws of the Board of Agriculture, Oct. 9, 1936)

Seed potatoes may be imported under a permit issued by the Director of Agriculture, to be attached to the bill of lading after signature by the operator.

The importer shall satisfy the Director that the seed potatoes imported are the produce of approved strains; are true to variety and free from an undue quantity of diseases that would prejudice their value for seed purposes; were not seriously injured by insects when inspected; were grown in fields that contained fewer than 15 percent of misses and that were not adjacent to fields of diseased potatoes; were field inspected and certified by a duly recognized authority; and were inspected after harvest (if so required) and found free from serious tuber diseases.

The name of the grower shall appear on every certificate. A copy of the certificate shall be submitted to the Director or attached to the bill of lading or to the barrels or bags containing the potatoes.

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Every barrel or other package of seed potatoes shall be so marked or labeled as to clearly indicate the nature of the potatoes contained therein.

The importation of seed potatoes from the under-mentioned countries is prohibited: Great Britain, Ireland, the countries of Europe, Newfoundland, and the Islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon.